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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES FOR BACKWARD CLASSES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any step has been taken by Government for the implementation of educational programmes for the backward classes in the country: and

(b) if so, the details thereof, statewise?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOSURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSING RAO GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) & (b): The National Policy on Education lays special emphasis on removal of disparities and equalizationof educational opportunities of educationally backward social groups. All major programmes/schemes implemented by the Government including Operation Blackboard, Non-Formal Education,Teacher Education, National Programme for Nutritional support to Primary Education, District Primary Education Programme, Total Literacy Campaigns, Post Literacy Compaigns,Continuing Education, Vocationalisation of Secondary Education and Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities aim at universalizing access, reducing drop out and imoproving learning achievement of educationally backward social groups.